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Please find below and/or attached an Office communication concerning this application or proceeding.

Office Action Summary	Application No. 10/617,081	Applicant(s) BOROWIECKI ET AL.	
	Examiner Chapman E Jeanette	Art Unit 3635	

-- The MAILING DATE of this communication appears on the cover sheet with the correspondence address --

Period for Reply

A SHORTENED STATUTORY PERIOD FOR REPLY IS SET TO EXPIRE 3 MONTH(S) FROM THE MAILING DATE OF THIS COMMUNICATION.

- Extensions of time may be available under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a). In no event, however, may a reply be timely filed after SIX (6) MONTHS from the mailing date of this communication.
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- If NO period for reply is specified above, the maximum statutory period will apply and will expire SIX (6) MONTHS from the mailing date of this communication.
- Failure to reply within the set or extended period for reply will, by statute, cause the application to become ABANDONED (35 U.S.C. § 133). Any reply received by the Office later than three months after the mailing date of this communication, even if timely filed, may reduce any earned patent term adjustment. See 37 CFR 1.704(b).

Status

- 1) ☒ Responsive to communication(s) filed on 22 February 2005.
- 2a) ☐ This action is **FINAL**. 2b) ☒ This action is non-final.
- 3) ☐ Since this application is in condition for allowance except for formal matters, prosecution as to the merits is closed in accordance with the practice under *Ex parte Quayle*, 1935 C.D. 11, 453 O.G. 213.

Disposition of Claims

- 4) ☒ Claim(s) 1-31 is/are pending in the application.
- 4a) Of the above claim(s) 13-30 is/are withdrawn from consideration.
- 5) ☐ Claim(s) _____ is/are allowed.
- 6) ☒ Claim(s) 1-12 is/are rejected.
- 7) ☐ Claim(s) _____ is/are objected to.
- 8) ☐ Claim(s) _____ are subject to restriction and/or election requirement.

Application Papers

- 9) ☐ The specification is objected to by the Examiner.
- 10) ☐ The drawing(s) filed on _____ is/are: a) ☐ accepted or b) ☐ objected to by the Examiner.
 Applicant may not request that any objection to the drawing(s) be held in abeyance. See 37 CFR 1.85(a).
 Replacement drawing sheet(s) including the correction is required if the drawing(s) is objected to. See 37 CFR 1.121(d).
- 11) ☐ The oath or declaration is objected to by the Examiner. Note the attached Office Action or form PTO-152.

Priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119

- 12) ☐ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
- a) ☐ All b) ☐ Some * c) ☐ None of:
1. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
2. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. _____.
3. ☐ Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this National Stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).

* See the attached detailed Office action for a list of the certified copies not received.

Attachment(s)

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| 1) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Notice of References Cited (PTO-892) | 4) <input type="checkbox"/> Interview Summary (PTO-413) |
| 2) <input type="checkbox"/> Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948) | Paper No(s)/Mail Date. _____ |
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DETAILED ACTION

Election/Restrictions

Claims 13-30 have been withdrawn from further consideration pursuant to 37 CFR 1.142(b), as being drawn to a nonelected Groups II and III, there being no allowable generic or linking claim. Applicant timely traversed the restriction (election) requirement in the reply filed on February 22, 2005.

Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 102

The following is a quotation of the appropriate paragraphs of 35 U.S.C. 102 that form the basis for the rejections under this section made in this Office action:

A person shall be entitled to a patent unless –

(b) the invention was patented or described in a printed publication in this or a foreign country or in public use or on sale in this country, more than one year prior to the date of application for patent in the United States.

Claims 1-6 and 8-10 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(b) as being anticipated by Brant et al (4741945). Brant discloses a unitary insulated wall for a mobile platform, a trim panel for an automobile, comprising:

1. a first layer 16/22 of fiberglass and foam insulation material; see claim 15; the first layer comprises a plurality of insulation layers having a plurality of insulation material including at least a fiberglass material and an insulation foam material; see claim 13
2. a second layer 24 of flexible material, a film; this flexible material includes an outer face having a decorative pattern and an inner face attachable to the first layer.

3. the wall is mountable in the mobile platform 12 such that the outer face 24 of the second layer defines an inner most facing surface
4. the fiberglass material is enclosable within a polymeric film 18/20 capable of retaining a dye and defining an insulation bag 14; the insulation bag 14 is attachable to the inner face of the second layer 24.
5. Brant suggest the above to be made on a coil; see column 3, lines 60-68
6. The inner face includes a perimeter region attachable to the first layer

Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 103

The following is a quotation of 35 U.S.C. 103(a) which forms the basis for all obviousness rejections set forth in this Office action:

(a) A patent may not be obtained though the invention is not identically disclosed or described as set forth in section 102 of this title, if the differences between the subject matter sought to be patented and the prior art are such that the subject matter as a whole would have been obvious at the time the invention was made to a person having ordinary skill in the art to which said subject matter pertains. Patentability shall not be negated by the manner in which the invention was made.

Claims 7 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Brant et al in view of hill (4780167). Brant lacks the film of cloth. Hill suggest a variety of materials including cloth. It would have been obvious to one of ordinary skill in the art to employ cloth or other high strength fibers for special and particular purposes

Claims 11 and 12 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over White et al (5398889) in view of Brant. White discloses an insulation wall for a mobile platform with an insulation layer 38 and a second flexible layer 11. White discloses a plurality of wall mounting fasteners 44 including a distal connecting end freely extending from the first layer 38 in a direction facing away form the second layer; the distal connecting ends operably connecting the wall to the platform see figures 2-3.

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The distal ends form a releasable connection 42/44/46. Brant discloses the decorative embossed surface of the second layer. It would have been obvious to one of ordinary skill in the art to modify White to include the embossed surface to provide aesthetic appeal to passengers of the mobile platform.

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Chapman E Jeanette whose telephone number is 703-308-1310. The examiner can normally be reached on Mon.-Fri, 8:30-6:00, every other fri. off.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Friedman Carl can be reached on 703-308-0839. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 703-872-9306.

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